



Docket No.: NHL-HOL-71  
Serial No.: 10/816,787  
Customer No. 00432

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

EXAMINER: (NOT YET RECEIVED)  
ART UNIT: 3751  
SERIAL NO.: 10/816,787  
FILING DATE: April 2, 2004  
INVENTORS: Tilo LECHNER and Ludger PAULS  
TITLE: A BEVERAGE BOTTLING PLANT FOR FILLING BOTTLES  
WITH A LIQUID BEVERAGE FILLING MATERIAL, AND  
APPARATUS FOR ATTACHING CARRYING GRIPS TO  
CONTAINERS WITH FILLED BOTTLES

---

Greensburg, Pennsylvania 15601

Mail Stop Missing Parts  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 19, 2004

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment.